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BALLINGER'S COMPLAINT OF TREATMENT BY PINCHOT.

Secretary Ballinger, evidently, is indignant because of the statements made before the investigating committee yesterday by Gifford Pinchot. He accuses the deposed forester of attempted deception in preparing in advance and handing to the press his preliminary statement to the committee. He declares also that Mr. Pinchot was not "quite reckless enough" to make the statement upon oath.

It would not seem to be necessary for Mr. Ballinger to become hysterical at this stage of the investigation. It is quite desirable that he be consistent. There was nothing novel or unprecedented in Mr. Pinchot's action in carefully preparing his preliminary statement. It is a custom that has obtained for many years. Presidents of the United States have found it necessary to give out in advance important speeches and messages in order that they may not be misquoted. It is fair to assume that Mr. Pinchot was actuated by a similar motive. He was making a grave charge, and realizing the gravity of that charge, desired that his exact language be used by the press. The public will fail to detect any deception in that act.

Secretary Ballinger makes no effort to conceal his anger because Mr. Pinchot accused him of attempting "to willfully deceive the President and to disloyal to him." In the same breath Secretary Ballinger makes a similar charge against Mr. Pinchot. We observe that Mr. Ballinger's charge of deception and disloyalty was not made under oath. We also observe that Mr. Ballinger did not hesitate to hand to the press, in exactly the same fashion as Mr. Pinchot, a statement replying to the charges of that gentleman.

In other words, Mr. Ballinger is aroused because of the methods employed by Mr. Pinchot, and thereupon adopts the Pinchot methods as his own in replying to his accuser. This paper hitherto has refrained from editorial comment on the significant features of the investigation now in progress, believing that the case cannot be fairly judged until the evidence is all in. This attitude, however, does not prevent us from calling attention to the inconsistency of Mr. Ballinger in denouncing Mr. Pinchot for pursuing methods which he adopts as his own.

We agree with Mr. Ballinger that this is a case which cannot be fought out in the columns of the press—at least at this stage of the proceedings. Entertaining that view it is fair to say that Mr. Ballinger's charge of deception on the part of Mr. Pinchot should have been made before the investigating committee, the tribunal before which Mr. Pinchot made his accusation.

NEW JERSEY INDICTMENTS OF BEEF BARONS.

A remarkable legal situation has been caused by the indictment of the beef barons of the National Packing Company by a grand jury of Hudson county in the State of New Jersey. Prosecutor Garven of that county has assailed the directorate of the National Packing Company under the common law, and the result is a number of indictments of millionaire packers, chiefly Chicago men. The Chicago packers are inclined to scoff at the indictments, but they practically admit the matter has its serious side, as they are preparing to fight extradition to the last ditch. They contend that they have transacted no business personally in the State of New Jersey, and therefore it is impossible for them to have committed any crime in that State, although the National Packing Company is a New Jersey corporation.

Prosecutor Garven is attacking the National Packing Company and its directors as a concern which is cheating, impoverishing, and oppressing the public. He contends that it is a sort of clearing house for the big Western packing companies, and is in restraint of trade. Not only have the directors been indicted, but the next move will be to annul the charter of the National Packing Company issued by the State of New Jersey.

The eyes of the legal and business world will be directed to the outcome of this proceeding. Important results hang upon it.

It may be taken for granted that the Chicago packers do not regard the matter in the light of a joke, even if they are inclined outwardly to scoff. The

common law before now has been found an effective weapon in the crushing of trusts. For instance, it was the chief reliance in the successful war on the old Barbed Wire trust. Should Prosecutor Garven be victorious, it is easy to see that the consequences might be far-reaching. And if New Jersey should cease to be a safe harbor for oppressive combinations, the moral effect would not be easy to calculate.

UNITED STATES NAVY TO LEAD THE WORLD.

Secretary of the Navy Meyer has set before the House Naval Affairs Committee his ideas of what this country should do in the construction of battleships and other war vessels. His program is in many respects the most comprehensive that has yet been seriously offered by a high and responsible Government official. It is nothing less than startling and it will not be received without profound thought, if not concern, by the officials of other nations who are responsible for the naval policies of their respective governments.

It was but a few years ago that Great Britain launched the first Dreadnaught. The construction of this giant battleship marked a new era in the world's navies. It compelled a transformation of naval plans. Since then every first-class naval power has set its face in the direction of achieving a fleet of giant battleships of the Dreadnaught type and greater. Not only has this entailed enormous naval expenditures with more to come, but it has to some extent changed the relative naval strength of different leading nations. At a stroke battleships formerly looked on as of the most formidable sort had to fall back to subordinate place. England to a great extent lost the lead she had maintained for years over Germany.

Now, it is seriously proposed to undertake a new program in this country, a program of stupendous proportions. Secretary Meyer proposes a 32,000-ton battleship, at a cost of about \$18,000,000, and to make the United States the foremost naval power of the world. Of course, if a 32,000-ton vessel were built and proved a success others would at once follow. This country would rapidly build others of the same type, and other nations would be driven to do the same thing or fall far behind. The battleship which Mr. Meyer contemplates would carry probably 14-inch guns, and would overwhelm the ordinary Dreadnaught as one of the giant battleships of today would demolish a cruiser. Such a war craft would mean larger docks and deeper harbors.

One might afford to scoff at the notion of such battleships as Mr. Meyer proposes had the last several years not witnessed naval advances that a decade ago were unthinkable. But it seems certain that if this Government in the near future seriously sets to work to build a fleet of such leviathans as Mr. Meyer wants, it will drive the rest of the world nearer to the day of disarmament. We may be able to pay the price and endure it. Possibly England can, and Germany. It may be doubted if any other nation could stagger along under the burden that would be loaded upon it.

NOT A SIGN OF RELIEF YET IN SIGHT.

There was a happy time when the only man who was interested in woman's hats was the one who had to buy them. His principal concern was in how much he was likely to be set back by a new style. But times have changed, and so have hats, and so have men's ideas of them. The subject has become one which affects mankind. Needless to say, it is the size of the hat which has brought about the transformation.

We assume it is a safe conclusion that the State has the right under its police powers to regulate the amount of room out of doors one hat on one woman can take up. It ought also to be able to say when hats are dangerous to innocent bystanders. We do not undertake to say that it will do anything of the sort, but we lay down the postulate that it has the authority. Man in his meekness marvels, but he hasn't got the nerve to act. On street cars he finds vagrant bits of feathers in his mouth or makes a grab at something tickling his ear, only to meet a chilly stare which says plainer than words he's a brute. At another time he feels something rasp his neck like a cross-cut saw or he is jabbed by a hatpin sticking out of a mass of furs, millinery, feathers, beads and trimmings. Dispatches today tell of the impaling of a conductor in Springfield, Mass. While he was pursuing the even tenor of his way ringing up fares—"one for you and two for me"—a woman passenger, we are informed, "turned her head quickly and drove the point of an eighteen-inch pin which she wore in her hat into the lobe of the conductor's left ear. The conductor, with his ear transfixed on the hatpin, howled with pain, but with the aid of the embarrassed woman the pin was removed."

Man has endured these and other trials with exemplary patience, but he has nourished the belief it was impossible that hats would get larger—that the worst was over. But at an opening in New York the other day it was discovered there is nothing to hope for in the near future. They are still growing. A man reporter, amazed at what he saw, groping for some explanation of the inexplicable, timidly asked one of the milliners: "Say, do you people get together and decide what styles will be and whatever you say

the women have to wear?" The stern reply was: "We always try to influence our patrons for their best good."

With this cryptic utterance man must be content and pick his way, thankful when the time for derbies is over he can fish out a last year's straw if he wishes and defy creation.

Dispatches from Mississippi assure us that the views of the new Senator from that State are no more unrestrained than the name of Percy would indicate.

The report of Wade Ellis that the situation in Ohio is improving does not mean that Republican gubernatorial hopes are yet out of danger.

We wonder if society matrons are exercising proper precautions in sending invitations to Secretary Ballinger and Gifford Pinchot?

Thanks to a series of conjunctions the State brothers are just as much masters of the air today as they were two years ago.

Philadelphia is bored by the quiet of the past week and is thinking of demonstrating what a real strike is.

New Orleans is not the only section of the country which would like to offer Theodore Roosevelt a job.

There wasn't much conservation of language to characterize the testimony of Gifford Pinchot.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has no jurisdiction over the increased rates of Stork & Co.

Secretary Ballinger is not eligible for membership in the London club which bars the unhappy.

Is the wife who surrenders her husband to another woman self-sacrificing or designing?

We may now expect England and Germany to construct a 3,000-ton battleship.

Even the Government finds it a losing proposition to get out a daily paper.

MINNESOTA HONORS CYRUS NORTHROP

Planned to Erect Memorial to Retiring Executive of University.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Feb. 27.—A Stalewide movement for the sounding of the Men's Union building, as the university as a memorial to President Cyrus Northrop, of the University of Minnesota, who will retire in July, will be in operation tomorrow.

A committee of the deans of every college in the university is appointed to enlist the services of the entire student body, the university faculty, the press of the State and the citizens of every city, town, and hamlet in Minnesota in raising the fund of \$400,000 that will be required for building the union. About \$25,000 has been pledged.

LAWYERS HONOR JUSTICE LURTON

Eminent Jurist Tells Banqueters of Civil War Incident.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Justice Horace H. Lurton, the last appointee to the Supreme Court of the United States, over his life to his mother's successful pleading with President Lincoln for the changing of a harsh military order.

The noted jurist told the story to 750 lawyers of the New York County Lawyers' Association, who dined him at the Astor last evening.

Judge Lurton told how he was confined at Johnson Island, Lake Erie, during the war, and was threatened with tuberculosis, the general in charge refusing a permit for his removal. His mother pleaded with Lincoln and on his order brought away her son in time.

BOARD OF TRADE AFTER MEMBERS

Campaign to Be Inaugurated to Increase Rolls of Organization.

An active campaign is to be entered upon by the membership committee of the Washington Board of Trade to increase the membership of that organization. Various plans with this object in view are being considered.

At a meeting of the committee yesterday afternoon thirty-one applications for membership were acted upon and the names of six prospective members were received. J. Louis Wilkie, chairman of the committee, made an enthusiastic speech regarding the soliciting of new members.

The question of members delinquent in their dues was also considered.

Capital Tales

ONE of the amusing phases of the speech of Senator James Gordon of Mississippi in the Senate the other day was the manner in which the speaker managed to throw Senator Bailey into the shade.

It was the day of Senator Bailey's speech in opposition to the postal savings bank bill.

As always happens when Bailey talks, there was a crowd. The galleries were filled. The Senate lawyers, who love an argument on the Constitution, were on hand. Senator Bailey came up to expectations and none was disappointed. Then, when the stage was set, with the crowd on hand on the Senate floor and in the galleries, Colonel Gordon, past seventy-seven years, tall, gray-haired and venerable, arose and spoke out of the fullness of his heart in simple, remarkable eloquence.

It was the most remarkable speech the Senate has heard in years. It caught the crowd in the galleries and grave Senators applauded. Bailey's careful argument on the Constitution was forgotten completely. It is still forgotten. Nobody talks of it but all are talking of Colonel Gordon.

And in the papers the next day, in which, ordinarily, Bailey would have been accorded columns, the speech on the constitutionality of the postal savings bank measure was little noticed. Colonel Gordon got yards of space. He could not have spoken under circumstances better calculated to attract notice.

Senate Breaks Rule.

THE older members of the Senate are trying to recall another demonstration in recent years similar to that given Senator Gordon when he concluded his farewell address to that body. Apprehensive of the rules just as it is prohibited on the part of the galleries, yet all joined in the clapping for the Mississippi and the Vice Presidential flag forgot to fall.

Senators said today that not since the message from Admiral Sampson back in 1895, when he announced the victory over the Spanish fleet, was read on the floor of the Senate, have Senators themselves been known to give vent to cheers. At that time as when Colonel Gordon concluded, the whole chamber responded with vigorous applause, and then, as now, the gavel had no part in the proceedings.

Occasionally some enthusiast in the gallery breaks forth into cheers, but he is immediately silenced by the Vice President with the admonition not to repeat the offense against the body's dignity.

Letter Writers Busy.

FOR the ready letter writer these are halcyon days. If the flood of communications to members of Congress protesting against any increase in the postal rates on second-class matter should continue the troublesome deficit of the Postoffice Department might be wiped out without any special legislation.

Every member of the lower House is receiving from 500 to 600 letters a day from constituents on this and other subjects now pending before Congress.

Next in popularity with the correspondents after the postal question comes the tax on oleomargarine. Folks in the dairy district are protesting against repealing the tax, and letters just as vehement from the South ask that the tax be repealed. "It is just as good as butter," wrote a man from Texas to one Congressman, "and I protest, sir, against this class legislation." "Oleomargarine is a fraud," read the next letter the same Congressman opened, "and is a rank imitation of butter. Every dairyman in the United States assents to that."

Senators also are the recipients of many letters. Many letters objecting to the bill are identical in wording and even written on the same kind of paper, and the suspicion is strong that they emanate from some particularly interested financial quarter.

"Repeat the corporation tax," demand other letters received by scores from all parts of the Union. Ship subsidy, the making of Commander Peabody of a naval military order.

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General and Mrs. Frederick D. Grant Guests of Honor at Luncheon Party

Entertained by Mrs. Levi Z. Leiter at Her Residence Today.

Danish Minister and Countess Moltke Hosts at Informal Party.

Mrs. Levi Z. Leiter was hostess at a luncheon party today in honor of Gen. and Mrs. Frederick Dent Grant, who are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. John R. McLean.

The Danish Minister and Countess Moltke were hosts at an informal luncheon today at the legation. Covers were laid for sixteen guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Jordan were among those entertaining informal parties at luncheon today at the Chevy Chase Club.

Vice President and Mrs. Sherman Guests.

The Vice President and Mrs. Sherman were the honor guests of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Clarence R. Edwards at dinner last evening. Invited to meet them were the Postmaster General, Mr. Hitchcock; the Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Ballinger; Senator and Mrs. Root; Representative and Mrs. Longworth; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Townsend, Col. and Mrs. Charles L. McVay, Miss May Williams, C. R. Simpkins, and John Barrett, director of the Bureau of American Republics.

The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. MacVeigh entertained a distinguished company at dinner last evening complimentary to the Ambassador of Great Britain and Mrs. Bryce. Others in the company were the Swedish Minister and Mme. de Lagercrantz, the Swiss Minister and Mme. Ritter, the Attorney General and Mrs. Wickham, Senator Warren, Senator du Pont, A. B. Clegg, director of the Bureau of American Republics, Mr. Robert McCormick, Mrs. E. B. McCagg, of Chicago, who is a guest at the White House, Mr. and Mrs. Henry White, Mr. and Mrs. John Hays Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Walcott, Miss Mabel Boardman, Miss Patten, Mrs. John B. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Curtis, and Representative Peters.

Miss Mary Story, of Ohio, is the house guest of Miss Robyn Young. Miss Young and her husband will go to Annapolis next Wednesday to attend the informal hop there.

Elaborate Musicale in the Patterson Home.

One of the most elaborate entertainments of the season was the musicale given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson last evening in their residence on Dupont Circle, with Miss Geraldine Farrar and Edmond Clement of the Metropolitan Opera Company and Mr. Tanara, accompanist, in a program of French and Italian songs.

The house was handsomely adorned with palms and clusters of American Beauty roses.

Mrs. Patterson was assisted in receiving her guests, which numbered about 25, by her daughter, Countess Glyzhka. The guests included members of the Cabinet and Diplomatic Corps, official and resident society and a number of out-of-town persons among them being Benjamin K. Leon, Mrs. Marx Kahn, Mrs. Samuel Pack, Mrs. Benjamin Heid, Mrs. Samuel Goldenberg, and Mrs. William Michaels.

The Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Huntington Wilson, entertained at dinner last evening the Japanese Ambassador and Baroness Uchida, the Minister from Salvador and Mme. Mejia, Mme. de Veil, wife of the Cuban Minister, Senator and Mrs. Burrows, Senator and Mrs. Stone, Senator and Mrs. Clarke, Miss Flora Wilson, the counselor of the British embassy, Mitchell Jones, the Naval Attaché of the Russian embassy and Mme. Fassliett, Mrs. Hanna, Mrs. William, Mrs. Christian, Mrs. de Thal, of the Russian embassy; John K. Stauffer, and Randolph Miller.

Mrs. Barney was hostess at a musicale, accompanied by classic dancing, last evening. Miss Roberta Ames interpreted with dancing a number of selections from Chopin, De la Biers, Mendelssohn, and Strauss, played by David Kindelberger.

Mrs. John Biddle gave several vocal solos, with Mrs. Laurence Townsend at the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Elliott have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Esther S. Elliott, to Merrill Gallaher, on Wednesday evening, March 8, at 8:20 o'clock, at the Eastern Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. William Phelps Eno entertained at dinner last evening Mr. Justice and Mrs. White, Mr. and Mrs. Oxnard, Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Biddle, Mr. and Mrs. Weightman, and Mrs. Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Wilmer, Mr. and Mrs. James Garfield, Mrs. Charles Shepard, and Dr. Cabel.

Land Commissioner and Mrs. Fred Dennett were hosts at a dinner party last evening in honor of the Representative and Mrs. Ben Craven.

Col. and Mrs. F. L. Denny were among the dinner hosts of last evening.

Lieut. and Mrs. U. S. Grant, 3d, entertained a party at dinner last evening in honor of the parents of the former. Gen. and Mrs. Frederick Dent Grant.

Mrs. Dolliver has as her house guests for several days Mrs. Allen Leeson and Miss Louisa, of Fort Dodge, Iowa.

CONCERT BY THE MARINE BAND ORCHESTRA

U. S. MARINE BARRACKS Tomorrow Afternoon at 2 o'clock. William H. Santelmann, Leader.

PROGRAM.

March—"The Clubman," (new), Laurendeau

Overture—"Rhapsody," Meier-Bela (new) Boccalini

Dance of the Hours, from the Opera "La Gioconda," Pon-hoili

Waltz—"Silhouettes," Roberts

Excerpts from "Tannhauser," Wagner

Suite "Peer Gyn," Grieg

(a) Morning, (b) The Death of Ase, (c) Anitra's Dance, (d) Dance of the Imps in the Halls of the Mountain King

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"At Homes" in Society

Mrs. Morris Sheppard, wife of Representative Sheppard, will receive Tuesday at Stoneleigh Court, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Mrs. Henry Allen Cooper, of the Richmond, will receive Tuesday, from 3 to 6 o'clock.

Mrs. G. F. Schutt will receive tomorrow afternoon from 4 to 7 o'clock for the last time this season. She will have with her Mrs. W. V. Spinning and Miss Alice Stutesman, of Peru, Ind., and Mrs. O. T. Hubbard, of Valdez, Alaska.

Mrs. Lisle Lipscomb and Miss Lipscomb will receive informally tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Edwin A. Root will be at home tomorrow afternoon.

Miss Wood, sister of Representative Wood, will receive Tuesday afternoon.

Riding Party Luncheons At the Chevy Chase Club

At 10:30 o'clock this morning a merry party on horseback met at Sheridan Circle and rode off toward Rock Creek Park and the Chevy Chase Club, where luncheon was served. In the party were Miss Olga Roosevelt, Miss Alice Whitely, Miss Laura Merriam, Miss Gladys Hinchley, Dr. Whiting, Lieutenant Palmer, Mr. Ellis, and Newton Gulick.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson Bradley, who have as their guests for the week-end, Mr. and Mrs. George Marshall Allan, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Meers, of Philadelphia, in addition to Miss Beatrice Sterling, who has been with them for some time, entertained their house party and a few additional guests at luncheon at the Chevy Chase Club today. They will entertain a small party informally at dinner tonight at their residence on Dupont Circle.

Asked to meet their house guests at dinner last night were Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Arthur Lee, Viscount and Viscountess de Sibour, Mrs. Davenport, of New York; Miss Dorothy Williams, Maj. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, Rear Admiral O'Neill, and Count Ugglas, of the Swedish legation.

Mrs. Meyer Follmer, of Florence, court, entertained at weekly bridge at her apartment. The guests were Mrs. Harry W. Hahn, Mrs. Alexander Wolf, Mrs. Simon Lyon, Mrs. Carrie Bergman, and Mrs. David Frank.

Milton Herzberg, of Philadelphia, was a guest of friends in Washington during the past week.

The Charity Sewing Club met at the residence of Mrs. Jacob Eisenman, 314 M street northwest, Thursday afternoon. Those who assisted were Benjamin K. Leon, Mrs. Marx Kahn, Mrs. Samuel Pack, Mrs. Benjamin Heid, Mrs. Samuel Goldenberg, and Mrs. William Michaels.

LAST RITES PAID TO THE REV. AMES

Services for Washington Pastor Held at St. Thomas' Church.

Funeral services for the Rev. Canon John G. Ames, until his death, assistant pastor of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church and librarian of the Washington Cathedral, were held yesterday afternoon at St. Thomas' Church. The Rev. C. Ernest Smith, rector of the parish, conducted the ceremonies, assisted by the Rev. Canon Austin, and the Rev. J. A. Appinwall.

The pallbearers were Chief Justice H. M. Clabaugh, of the District Supreme Court; William E. Curtis, Matthew Trimble, A. P. Crenshaw, Fred Pratt, John Sherman, and Messrs. Hadley and Pierce.

Interment was made in Rock Creek Cemetery.

"Beautiful Burma" is the subject of a lecture which will be given at Mount Vernon Place M. E. Church South by Sumner R. Vinton tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. The proceeds will go for the benefit of the rest room maintained by the W. C. C. Travelers' Aid Societies at the Union Station.

PULPIT TOPICS FOR TONIGHT IN CHURCHES OF WASHINGTON

St. Paul's M. E. Church South—"The Buried Talent," by the Rev. William Eustace Henry, at 7:45 p. m.
First Methodist Protestant Church—"Cake Not Turned," by the Rev. J. B. McLaughlin, at 7:30 p. m.
United Brethren Church—"Our Refuge and Help," by the Rev. Charles E. Fultz, at 7:30 p. m.
Church of the Covenant—"The Influence of the City on Character," by the Rev. Dr. Wood, at 8 p. m.
Washington Heights Presbyterian Church—"The First Family Quarrel," by the Rev. W. D. Moss, at 7:30 p. m.
West Street Presbyterian Church—"The Penitent Thief," by the Rev. J. T. Marshall, at 7:30 p. m.
Metropolitan Presbyterian Church—"Rejectors or Receivers," by the Rev. Paul R. Hickok, at 7:30 p. m.
All Souls' Unitarian Church—"The Religion of the Spirit in Modern Life," by the Rev. Dr. U. G. B. Pierce, at 8 p. m.
St. John's Episcopal Church—Sermon by Bishop Rowe, of Alaska, at 4:45 p. m.
Temple Baptist Church—"Called to Separateness," by the Rev. J. J. Muir, at 7:45 p. m.
Metropolitan Baptist Church—"The Difference Between the Almost and the Altogether," by the Rev. John Compton Hall, at 7:30 p. m.
Fifth Baptist Church—"Bible Dancing Versus Modern Dancing," by the Rev. John E. Briggs, at 7:45 p. m.
Immanuel Baptist Church—"The Fifth Sparrow," by the Rev. J. B. Clayton, at 8 p. m.
Luther Place Memorial Church—"Kadesh-Barnea," by the Rev. Lloyd C. Douglas, at 8 p. m.
Mt. Pleasant Congregational Church—"The Life of Christ," by the Rev. Dr. S. M. Newman, at 8 p. m.

SPECIAL MUSIC.
Metropolitan M. E. Church—Monthly service of music and song, at 8 a. m.
Vaughn M. E. Church—Special music by the choir at 7:30 p. m.
Church of the Covenant—Special numbers by sextet, assisted by Miss Larkin, violinist, at 7:30 p. m.
New York Avenue Presbyterian Church—"The Stabat Mater," by quartet choir, at 7:45 p. m.
Metropolitan Presbyterian Church—Special music by the choir, at 7:30 p. m.
Northminster Presbyterian Church—Solo by Miss McFall, at 7:45 p. m.
Church of the Ascension—Children's vesper service, sung by choir of sixty children, at 4:30 p. m.
St. Mark's Episcopal Church—Organ recital at 7 p. m.
St. Michael and All Angels' Episcopal Church—Cantata service, "The Beatitudes," by the choir, at 8 p. m.
Mt. St. Alban's Church—People's evening by the cathedral choir, at 4:30 p. m.

Mrs. Richard Townsend Entertains for Count and Countess Szechenyi.

Miss Mercedes Stewart to Give Informal Tea This Afternoon.

Count and Countess Lazlo Szechenyi were the guests in whose honor Mrs. Richard Townsend was hostess at a luncheon party today.

Miss Mercedes Stewart, daughter of Mrs. Graeme Stewart, of Chicago, who is spending the winter in Washington at the Arlington Hotel, will entertain a small party informally at tea this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. Doane, of Chicago, who spent the last two weeks the guest of her mother and sister, Mrs. Stewart and Miss Stewart, has returned to her home.

Dinner Party For House Guests.

The Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Meyer entertained at dinner last evening in honor of their house guests, Count and Countess Lazlo Szechenyi. The additional guests were Countess Louise-Alexandra von Bernstorff, daughter of the German Ambassador, and Countess von Bernstorff; Countess Glyzhka, the second secretary of the British embassy; and Mrs. Kennard, Dr. and Mrs. Kerr, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hinchey, Miss Constance Hoyt, Miss Townsend, the Misses Meyer, Mr. von Stumm, the German ambassador, Count Ladislav Czajsky, of the Austro-Hungarian embassy, Captain Butz, and Mr. Weiden.

Miss Eva Wise and Miss Rena Schwartz, of Baltimore, who were the guests of Miss Irene Elmet, have returned to their home in Baltimore.

Mrs. LeRoy Tuttle entertained a party informally at dinner last evening in her home on LeRoy place